

## House of Representatives

## HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE RULES 2005-2006

## The rules of the committee shall be the rules of the subcommittees.

- 1. The quorum for the Education Committee shall be 11 members. Record of attendance will be maintained for each full committee or subcommittee meeting. This information shall be considered public.
- 2. The committee shall convene, recess, and adjourn upon the order of the chairman.
- 3. A bill or resolution will only be placed on the committee agenda after its principal sponsor completes a bill summary form. When a bill or resolution is placed on the committee agenda, the principal sponsor shall be notified of the time and place of the hearing. A bill, resolution, or other matter will be considered only after presentation by its principal sponsor a legislator designated by the principal sponsor.
- 4. The chairman shall establish the meeting agenda and determine the measures to be considered and the order of consideration. No motion that the committee recommends, that a measure Do Pass or Do Not Pass, shall be in order until the Chairperson has stated that such a motion will be entertained.
- 5. Any member or members who disagree with the majority report of the committee may file a minority report as provided in the Rules of the House.
- 6. The chairman may appoint subcommittees and officers of subcommittees, and at the discretion of the chairman, refer any matter to a subcommittee; but no measure will be returned to the full House except after consideration by the full committee. All committee officers will be ex-officio voting subcommittee members.
- 7. These rules may be amended or suspended upon motion duly made and approved by a majority or the members of the committee.
- 8. Any proposed measure shall include a fiscal note where appropriate, as determined by the chairman, prior to committee consideration.
- Action may be taken by the committee on any bill the first time it is presented. The chairperson shall have the option to take on a resolution.
- 10. Committee and Subcommittee members may question witnesses only when they have been recognized by the chairman for that purpose. The chairman may also set time limits for this process.

- 11. The secretary of the committee shall cause a copy of these rules to be distributed to all members of the House.
- 12. The Rules of the House shall govern in any case not provided for in these rules.
- 13. Five minutes prior, during, and five minutes after a televised or web-cast Committee meeting, no one other than a Member of the Committee, Committee Aide, Administrative Assistant to the Chairperson, or Committee Intern, shall walk beyond the witness pulpit for any reason.
- 14. During Committee meetings, Committee members and everyone in the audience shall either turn off or place in silent mode all cell phones, pagers or other similar devices.
- 15. No one who is not a member of the committee shall speak to a member of the Committee while a televised or webcast meeting is in the progress without first obtaining consent of the Chairperson. Such consent may be obtained by making a request to the Committee Aide, Administrative Assistant, or Committee Intern, who will then pass the request to the Chairperson, who may or may not approve the request.